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Dulles Still a Secret Keeper

WE HAVE AN IDEA that an exchange of boasts and denials among people who served as spies during and since World War II would make entertaining reading for a summer season, and this has been confirmed by a boast uttered from the witness stand in Karlsruhe, Germany, by Heinz Felfe, who is on trial with two other Germans on charges of selling information to the Russians. Felfe, a former intelligence officer for the Nazis, told the court that he obtained secret war time information from Allen Dulles, who was later to become head of the American central intelligence agency.

Felfe said this occurred in Switzerland, where he was head of the German intelligence service and Dulles headed the American intelligence. The German spies working under his direction won Dulles' confidence, Felfe testified, and added:

"From his [Dulles'] mouth they learned for the first time about plans for Tehran and Yalta." These were the war time conferences at which President Roosevelt and Britain's Premier Churchill met with Russia's Stalin and lost America's shirt.

Dulles naturally began to mind at the suggestion that, in all his years of intelligence service, he had not learned to keep his mouth shut, which is the first thing prospective spies must learn. In Washington, Dulles said crisply: "The whole thing is made out of whole cloth. No associate of mine ever got any information from me on either the Tehran or the Yalta conference."

That is easy to believe, in view of the fact that the CIA, then under Dulles' leadership, kept secrets so well at the Bay of Pigs that none of the Cuban patriots participating in the invasion could find out what was going on until they had been beaten.

For that matter, the Cuban patriots have not found out yet. They have been released from Cuban prisons because the United States government paid a 53-million-dollar ransom for them, but they are as mystified now in Miami, as they were in Cuba after Castro's forces captured them.